Need to Start a Kendriya Vidyalaya Under NTPC Administration

†3126. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there is an ample need to open a Kendriya Vidyalaya under the 800 Megawatt ambitious and Multi-purpose Kol Dam Power Project Administration in Bilaspur District of Himachal Pradesh as the project is to be set up by NTPC;

(b) if so, what action has been taken by the Ministry in this regard and by when, Kendriya Vidyalaya at the said place will be opened; and

(c) what are the reasons for delay in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) Opening schools at the project area of NTPC primarily depends upon the need of its employees. Considering the man power profile of NTPC's Kol Dam Hydro-electric Power Project and the strength of school going children of its employees, NTPC do not envisage setting up Kendriya Vidyalaya at Kol Dam project at present.

NTPC Projects in Tamil Nadu

3127. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to set up projects of NTPC in Tamil Nadu;

(b) if so, the measures being taken by Government in this direction; and

(c) if not, whether Government consider setting up of a NTPC plant in Tamil Nadu to tide over the acute electricity problems in summer?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) A coal based coastal power project at Cheyyur in Tamil Nadu was identified as a Mega Power Project for implementation by National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC). NTPC had accordingly taken up necessary survey, investigations and studies for 1000 MW Cheyyur Super Thermal Power Project (STPP) Stage-I, in Kanchipuram district of Tamil Nadu. Necessary confirmation for land and coal availability were also obtained by NTPC. The proposal, however, cannot progress further as key clearances, namely, Coastal Regulation Zone (CRZ) clearance from Tamil Nadu Government and

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Stage-I site clearance from Ministry of Environment and Forests are yet to be made available.

(c) No new power project is presently proposed to be set up by NTPC in Tamil Nadu in the 10th Plan. To meet power demand of Tamil Nadu, NTPC has made following power supplies to the State from its Eastern Region power Stations over the last 2-3 years:

1999-2000	—	783.0 Million Unites
2000-2001	—	642.2 Million Unites
2001-2002 (till October, 2001)	—	479.5 Million Units

Further, Tamil Nadu would get a share from proposed power projects of NTPC namely, Talcher STPP, Stage-II (2000 MW) and Ramagundam STPP, Stage-III (500 MW) envisaged to be commissioned in the 10th Plan.

Ignoring the official language rules by CEA officials

†3128. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the officers of the rank of Superintending Engineer and Chief Engineer in the Office of Central Electricity Authority does their official work in Hindi;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if so, the reasons for ignoring the Official language Rules; and

(d) whether there is any scheme other than those of Official Language Schemes to get the work done in Hindi by the officers found guilty of violating the rules?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (d) Officers of the rank of Superintending Engineer and Chief Engineer who possess proficiency in Hindi does their official work in Hindi.

Offices of CEA Notified to do their work in Hindi

†3129. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether there are some offices of Central Electricity Authority which are notified in the Gazette under Rule 10(4) of Official language Rules and

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